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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Allen Dulles Estate Records

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1. A meeting on the subject problem was held today. Both [REDACTED] were in attendance.

2. I outlined the categories in which the information is to be divided but defined the categories on a "sensitivity" basis rather than a strict security classification basis:

Category 1 being non-sensitive material which could be returned to the estate,

Category 2 material presenting a possible question as to sensitivity, and

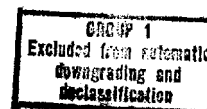
Category 3 classified and definitely sensitive material which should remain in the Agency.

3. I further outlined the possibility of establishing a committee to make determinations on the middle category. The rationale for such a committee being that each Directorate, including possibly OSS archives representation, could make an on-the-spot input in order to arrive at a firm determination on each questionable item. [REDACTED] questioned the need for such a committee, stating that he doubts anyone would question the Agency's keeping sensitive material on an indefinite basis. Further discussion raised some question as to the validity of such a conclusion. Both [REDACTED] are aware of the possibility that a Mr. Charles Murphy may be interested in writing a biography of [REDACTED]

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Mr. Dulles. [REDACTED] added that he has no facts on which to base such a conclusion, but that he has some question as to whether or not Murphy might approach such an effort from an opportunistic standpoint. In addition, [REDACTED] is aware of the fact that a

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[REDACTED] who had spent many years in [REDACTED] while married to an American and who is now residing in New York, appears desirous of retrieving some of her letters which she wrote to Mr. Dulles. Although nothing specific was known about the possibility of various writers being particularly interested in writing a book on resistance, the possibility of such an interest does exist even though this subject has been rather thoroughly covered in the various media.

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4. I advised the group that the establishment of a committee would be placed in abeyance until the original categorization has been completed by [REDACTED] at which time we will determine the appropriate mechanics for material placed in the "questionable" category.

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5. [REDACTED] during the meeting, outlined the parameters of his interest in connection with his Agency history project. After the meeting, he accompanied [REDACTED] to the physical location of the records. In view of the fact that neither [REDACTED] nor I are familiar with the legal ramifications of the disposition of the documents, we agreed that we would soon meet with Mr. Houston to obtain clarification on this question.

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6. The question of papers in the collection which deal with OSS activities was briefly discussed. [REDACTED] raised the question as to final disposition of such papers. I suggested that we might consider forwarding them to the OSS archives as a unit. To do so would bring the OSS archives mechanism into play concerning any future requests for access to such documents.

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